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***Memento Mori: Warnings from the American West and Antarctica,
Lecture Added for Photography Exhibit at City Gallery***

CHARLESTON, S.C. — A free lecture has been added for *Memento Mori: Warnings from the American West and Antarctica*, a collection of photographs by Michelle Van Parys and Stuart Klipper, on display at the City Gallery. The added lecture, Feb. 21 at 2 p.m., will be presented by Mark Long, guest curator of the exhibit and associate professor of political science at the College of Charleston and Michelle Van Parys, artist and professor of studio art at the College of Charleston.

Memento Mori: Warnings from the American West and Antarctica depicts the remote landscapes of the American West and Antarctica while also representing the transitional state of landscapes in the early 21st century. The exhibit is co-sponsored by the Halsey Institute of Contemporary Art at the College of Charleston and is on display in the City Gallery until Feb. 22.

Van Parys is a professor of studio art at the College of Charleston and her photographs have been published and exhibited internationally. Her book entitled *The Way Out West: Desert Landscapes of Michelle Van Parys* will be available for purchase during the opening reception. Klipper is an internationally acclaimed photographer who has been working in the medium for more than 30 years.

The City Gallery at Waterfront Park, owned by the City of Charleston and operated by the City of Charleston Office of Cultural Affairs, is a venue for contemporary artwork that is new, vital and innovative, with a focus on broadening Charleston's arts outlook. The City Gallery provides access to the visual arts for everyone in Charleston, S.C., visitors and residents alike, by offering exhibits that are all admission-free. The City Gallery is located at 34 Prioleau St. in downtown Charleston, S.C., and its hours of operation are Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, Noon to 5 p.m. For more information, please call or e-mail the City Gallery at (843) 958-6484 or CityGallery@ci.charleston.sc.us.

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